

162.1 Policy.

The purpose of [this chapter](#) is:

1. To insure that all dogs and cats handled by boarding kennels, commercial kennels, commercial breeders, dealers, and public auctions are provided with humane care and treatment by regulating the transportation, sale, purchase, housing, care, handling, and treatment of such animals by persons or organizations engaged in transporting, buying, or selling them and to provide that all vertebrate animals consigned to pet shops are provided humane care and treatment by regulating the transportation, sale, purchase, housing, care, handling, and treatment of such animals by pet shops.

2. To authorize the sale, trade, or adoption of only those animals which appear to be free of infectious or communicable disease.

3. To protect the public from zoonotic disease.

[C75, 77, 79, 81, §162.1]

96 Acts, ch 1034, §7